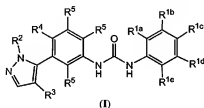


Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 109, 120, 122-127, 155, and 159 and amend claims 1, 32, 46, 59, 67, 80, 91, 101, 108, and 131 as follows. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a compound of Formula (I):



wherein:

R^{1a}, R^{1b}, R^{1c}, R^{1d}, and R^{1e} are each, independently, H, F, or Cl; halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C₁₋₆ alkyl-, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl-, C₂₋₆ alkenyl-, C₂₋₆ alkynyl-, OR², SR², SOR², SO₂R², COR², COOR², GC(O)R², NR², R², carbocyclyl optionally substituted by one or more R⁶ or heterocyclyl optionally substituted by one or more R⁶, or R^{1a} and R^{1b}, R^{1c} and R^{1d}, or R^{1e} and R^{1f} together with the carbon atoms to which they are attached form a fused C₅₋₇ cycloalkyl group or fused C₅₋₇ heterocycloalkyl group; wherein each of said C₁₋₆ alkyl-, C₂₋₆ alkenyl-, and C₂₋₆ alkynyl- is optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆ acyl-, C₁₋₆ acyloxy-, C₁₋₆ alkoxy-, C₁₋₆ thioalkoxy-, carboxamide-, C₁₋₆ alkylcarboxamide-, C₂₋₆ dialkylcarboxamide-, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonamide-, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfinyl-, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonyl-, C₁₋₆ alkylureido-, amino-, C₁₋₆ alkylamino-, C₂₋₆ dialkylamino-, C₁₋₆ alkoxy-carbonyl-, carboxy-, cyano-, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl-, halogen-, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy-, C₁₋₆ halothioalkoxy-, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl-, C₁₋₆ haloalkylsulfinyl-, C₁₋₆ haloalkylsulfonyl-, hydroxyl-, mercapto- or nitro;

R² is methyl C₁₋₆ alkyl;

R³ is Cl or Br; F, Cl, Br or I;

R^4 is methoxy halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} haloalkyl-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, SR^{11} -, SOR^{12} -, SO_2R^{12} -, COR^{12} -, $COOR^{11}$ -, $OC(O)R^{12}$ -, $NR^{12}R^{14}$ -, or C_{1-7} cycloalkyl-, wherein said C_{1-6} alkoxy-group is optionally substituted with one or more C_{1-5} acyl-, C_{1-5} acyloxy-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} alkylamino-, C_{2-6} dialkylamino-, C_{1-4} alkylcarboxamide-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-4} alkylsulfonamide-, C_{1-4} alkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-4} alkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-4} thioalkoxy-, C_{1-4} alkylureido-, amino-, (C_{1-5} alkoxy)carbonyl-, carboxamide-, carboxy-, cyano-, C_{2-6} cycloalkyl-, C_{2-6} dialkylcarboxamide-, halogen-, C_{1-4} haloalkoxy-, C_{1-4} haloalkyl-, C_{1-4} haloalkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-4} haloalkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-4} halothioalkoxy-, hydroxyl-, nitro- or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen-atoms;

R^5 , at each independent occurrence, is H-, halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} haloalkyl-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, SR^{11} -, SOR^{12} -, SO_2R^{12} -, COR^{12} -, $COOR^{11}$ -, $OC(O)R^{12}$ -, $NR^{12}R^{14}$ -, or C_{1-7} cycloalkyl-, wherein said C_{1-6} alkoxy-group is optionally substituted with one or more C_{1-5} acyl-, C_{1-5} acyloxy-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} alkylamino-, C_{2-6} dialkylamino-, C_{1-4} alkylcarboxamide-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-4} alkylsulfonamide-, C_{1-4} alkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-4} alkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-4} thioalkoxy-, C_{1-4} alkylureido-, amino-, (C_{1-5} alkoxy)carbonyl-, carboxamide-, carboxy-, cyano-, C_{2-6} cycloalkyl-, C_{2-6} dialkylcarboxamide-, halogen-, C_{1-4} haloalkoxy-, C_{1-4} haloalkyl-, C_{1-4} haloalkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-4} haloalkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-4} halothioalkoxy-, hydroxyl-, nitro- or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen-atoms;

R^6 is halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-4} alkyl-, C_{1-4} haloalkyl-, C_{1-4} alkoxy-, C_{1-4} haloalkoxy-, amino-, (C_{1-4} alkyl)amino-, di(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino-, hydroxy-, carboxy-, (C_{1-4} alkoxy)carbonyl-, C_{1-4} acyl-, C_{1-4} acyloxy-, aminocarbonyl-, (C_{1-4} alkyl)aminocarbonyl-, or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)aminocarbonyl;

R^7 and R^{14} are each, independently, H-, C_{1-8} alkyl-, C_{1-8} haloalkyl-, C_{2-8} alkenyl-, C_{2-8} alkynyl-, aryl-, heteroaryl-, C_{3-7} cycloalkyl-, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl-, arylalkyl-, heteroarylalkyl-, (C_{3-7} cycloalkyl)alkyl- or (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl;

R^8 and R^{12} are each, independently, H-, C_{1-8} alkyl-, C_{1-8} haloalkyl-, C_{2-8} alkenyl-, C_{2-8} alkynyl-, aryl-, heteroaryl-, C_{3-7} cycloalkyl-, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl-, arylalkyl-, heteroarylalkyl-, (C_{3-7} cycloalkyl)alkyl-, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl-, amino-, (C_{1-4} alkyl)amino-, or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino;

R^9 and R^{10} are each, independently, H-, C_{1-8} alkyl-, C_{2-8} alkenyl-, C_{2-8} alkynyl-, aryl-, heteroaryl-, C_{3-7} cycloalkyl-, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl-, arylalkyl-, heteroarylalkyl-, (C_{3-7} cycloalkyl)alkyl-, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl-, (C_{1-8} alkyl)carbonyl-, (C_{1-8}

haloalkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈alkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈haloalkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈alkyl)sulfonyl, (C₁₋₈haloalkyl)sulfonyl or arylsulfonyl;

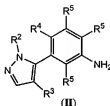
or R⁹ and R¹⁰, together with the N atom to which they are attached form a 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl group; and

R¹³ and R¹⁴ are each, independently, H, C₁₋₈alkyl, C₂₋₈alkenyl, C₂₋₈alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₃₋₇cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₃₋₇cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, (C₁₋₈alkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈haloalkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈alkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈haloalkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈alkyl)sulfonyl, (C₁₋₈haloalkyl)sulfonyl or arylsulfonyl;

or R¹⁵ and R¹⁶, together with the N atom to which they are attached form a 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl group;

the process comprising:

- a) reacting a compound of Formula (II):

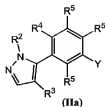


with a compound of Formula (III):



wherein Z is an isocyanate group (-NCO) or isocyanate equivalent, for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form said compound of Formula (I); or

- b) reacting a compound of Formula (II) with an isocyanate-generating reagent for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form a compound of Formula (IIa):



wherein Y is an isocyanate group or isocyanate equivalent; and reacting said compound of Formula (IIa) with a compound of Formula (IIIa):



~~for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form~~ said compound of Formula (I).

2.-25. (Canceled)

26. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein:

- R^{1a} is F;
- R^{1b} is H;
- R^{1c} is F;
- R^{1d} is H;
- R^{1e} is H;
- R² is methyl;
- R³ is Br;
- R⁴ is methoxy; and
- R⁵, at each occurrence, is H.

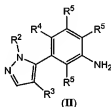
27. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein:

- R^{1a} is H;
- R^{1b} is H;

R^{1c} is Cl;
 R^{1d} is H;
 R^{1e} is H;
 R² is methyl;
 R³ is Br;
 R⁴ is methoxy; and
 R⁵, at each occurrence, is H.

28.-31. (Canceled)

32. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 1 wherein the process comprises reacting a compound of Formula (II):



with a compound of Formula (III):



wherein Z is an isocyanate group, ~~for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form~~
 said compound of Formula (I).

33. (Original) The process of claim 32 wherein said reacting is carried out in an organic solvent.

34. (Original) The process of claim 33 wherein said organic solvent comprises an aromatic solvent.

35. (Original) The process of claim 33 wherein said organic solvent comprises toluene.

36-39. (Canceled)

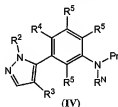
40. (Original) The process of claim 33 wherein said reacting is carried out at a reduced temperature.

41. (Original) The process of claim 40 wherein said reduced temperature is about 10 to about 20 °C.

42-44. (Original)

45. (Original) The process of claim 33 wherein said compound of Formula (III) is added in molar excess relative to the amount of Formula (II).

46. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 1 wherein said compound of Formula (II) is prepared by the process comprising deprotecting a compound of Formula (IV):



wherein:

Pr is an amino protecting group; and

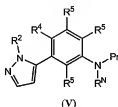
R^N is H;

or Pr and R^N together with the N atom to which they are attached form a cyclic amino protecting group;

with a deprotecting agent for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form said compound of Formula (II).

47-58. (Canceled)

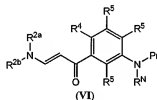
59. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 46 wherein said compound of Formula (IV) is prepared by the process comprising halogenating a compound of Formula (V):



with a halogenating reagent ~~selected from a chlorinating reagent and a brominating reagent for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form~~ said compound of Formula (IV).

60-66. (Canceled)

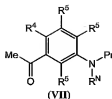
67. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 59 wherein said compound of Formula (V) is prepared by the process comprising cyclizing a compound of Formula (VI):



wherein R^{2a} and R^{2b} are each, independently, C₁₋₄ alkyl, with an alkyldiazine having the formula NH₂NH-R² ~~for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form~~ said compound of Formula (V).

68-79. (Canceled)

80. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 67 wherein said compound of Formula (VI) is prepared by the processes comprising condensing a compound of Formula (VII):



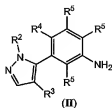
with an acetal of Formula (VIII):



wherein R and R' are each, independently, C₁₋₆ alkyl, arylalkyl or alkylaryl, or R and R' together with the O atoms to which they are attached and the intervening CH group form a 5- or 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group, ~~for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form~~ said compound of Formula (VI).

81-90. (Canceled)

91. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a compound of Formula (II):



wherein:

R² is methyl C₁₋₄ alkyl;

R³ is Cl or Br, F, Cl, Br or I;

R⁴ is methoxy halo, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, SR¹¹, SO₂R¹², COR¹², COOR¹¹, OC(O)R¹³, NR¹²R¹⁴, or C₂₋₇ cycloalkyl, wherein said C₁₋₆ alkoxy group is optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₅ acyl, C₁₋₅ acyloxy, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkylamino, C₂₋₆ dialkylamino, C₁₋₆ alkylcarboxamide, C₂₋₆

alkynyl, C₁₋₄ alkylsulfonamide, C₁₋₄ alkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄ alkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₄ thioalkoxy, C₁₋₄ alkylureido, amino, (C₁₋₆ alkoxy)carbonyl, carboxamide, carboxy, cyano, C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl, C₂₋₆ dialkylcarboxamide, halogen, C₁₋₄ haloalkoxy, C₁₋₄ haloalkyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₄ halothioalkoxy, hydroxyl, nitro or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R⁵, at each independent occurrence, is H, halo, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, SR¹¹, SR¹², SO₂R¹³, COR¹², COOR¹⁴, OC(O)R¹², NR¹², R¹⁴, or C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl, wherein said C₁₋₆ alkoxy group is optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆ acyl, C₁₋₄ acyloxy, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₁₋₄ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkylamino, C₂₋₆ dialkylamino, C₁₋₄ alkylcarboxamide, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₁₋₄ alkylsulfonamide, C₁₋₄ alkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄ alkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₄ thioalkoxy, C₁₋₄ alkylureido, amino, (C₁₋₆ alkoxy)carbonyl, carboxamide, carboxy, cyano, C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl, C₂₋₆ dialkylcarboxamide, halogen, C₁₋₄ haloalkoxy, C₁₋₄ haloalkyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₄ halothioalkoxy, hydroxyl, nitro or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

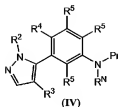
R¹¹ is, independently, H, C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl)alkyl or (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl;

R¹² is, independently, H, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, amino, (C₁₋₄ alkyl)amino, or di-(C₁₋₄ alkyl)amino; and

R¹³ and R¹⁴ are each, independently, H, C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₂₋₆ cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, (C₁₋₆ alkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₆ haloalkyl)carbonyl, (C₂₋₆ alkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₄ alkyl)sulfonyl, (C₁₋₄ haloalkyl)sulfonyl or arylsulfonyl;

or R¹³ and R¹⁴, together with the N atom to which they are attached form a 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl group;

comprising reacting a compound of Formula (IV):



wherein:

Pr is an amino protecting group; and

R^N is H;

or Pr and R^N together with the N atom to which they are attached form a cyclic amino protecting group;

with a base ~~for a time and under conditions suitable for forming~~ to form said compound of Formula (II).

92. (Original) The process of claim 91 wherein Pr is an acyl group.

93. (Canceled)

94. (Original) The process of claim 91 wherein Pr is -C(O)Me.

95. (Original) The process of claim 91 wherein said base is sodium hydroxide.

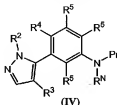
96. (Original) The process of claim 91 wherein said reacting is carried out in an organic solvent.

97. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 96 wherein said organic solvent comprises an alcohol.

98. (Original) The process of claim 97 wherein said organic solvent comprises methanol.

99-100. (Canceled)

101. (Currently Amended) A process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (IV):



wherein:

R² is methyl C₁₋₆alkyl;

R³ is Cl or Br, F, Cl, Br or I;

R⁴ is methoxy halo-,cyano-,nitro-,C₁₋₆alkyl-,C₁₋₆haloalkyl-,C₂₋₆alkenyl-,C₂₋₆alkynyl-,C₃₋₆alkoxy-,SR¹¹-,SOR¹²-,SO₂R¹³-,COR¹³-,COOR¹¹-,OC(O)R¹²-,NR¹³R¹⁴-,or-C₃₋₇cycloalkyl-,wherein said-C₃₋₆alkoxy-group is optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆acyl-,C₁₋₆acyloxy-,C₂₋₆alkenyl-,C₁₋₆alkoxy-,C₁₋₆alkyl-,C₁₋₆alkylamino-,C₂₋₆dialkylamino-,C₁₋₆alkylcarboxamide-,C₂₋₆alkynyl-,C₁₋₆alkylsulfonamide-,C₁₋₄alkylsulfinyl-,C₁₋₄alkylsulfonyl-,C₁₋₄thioalkoxy-,C₁₋₄alkylureide-,amino-, (C₁₋₆alkoxy)carbonyl-,carboxamide-,carboxy-,cyano-,C₂₋₆cycloalkyl-,C₂₋₆dialkylcarboxamide-,halogen-,C₁₋₆haloalkoxy-,C₁₋₄haloalkyl-,C₁₋₄haloalkylsulfinyl-,C₁₋₄haloalkylsulfonyl-,C₁₋₄halothioalkoxy-,hydroxyl-,nitro- or phenyl- optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R⁵, at each independent occurrence, is H-,halo-,cyano-,nitro-,C₁₋₆alkyl-,C₁₋₆haloalkyl-,C₂₋₆alkenyl-,C₂₋₆alkynyl-,C₁₋₆alkoxy-,SR¹¹-,SOR¹²-,SO₂R¹³-,COR¹³-,COOR¹¹-,OC(O)R¹²-,NR¹³R¹⁴-,or-C₃₋₇cycloalkyl-, wherein said-C₁₋₆alkoxy-group is optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆acyl-,C₁₋₆acyloxy-,C₂₋₆alkenyl-,C₁₋₆alkoxy-,C₁₋₆alkyl-,C₁₋₆alkylamino-,C₂₋₆dialkylamino-,C₁₋₆alkylcarboxamide-,C₂₋₆alkynyl-,C₁₋₄alkylsulfonamide-,C₁₋₄alkylsulfinyl-,C₁₋₄alkylsulfonyl-,C₁₋₄thioalkoxy-,C₁₋₄alkylureide-,amino-, (C₁₋₆alkoxy)carbonyl-,carboxamide-,carboxy-,cyano-,C₂₋₆cycloalkyl-,C₂₋₆dialkylcarboxamide-,halogen-,C₁₋₆haloalkoxy-,C₁₋₄haloalkyl-,C₁₋₄haloalkylsulfinyl-,C₁₋₄haloalkylsulfonyl-,C₁₋₄halothioalkoxy-,hydroxyl-,nitro- or phenyl- optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R¹² is, independently, H-,C₁₋₆alkyl-,C₁₋₆haloalkyl-,C₂₋₆alkenyl-,C₂₋₆alkynyl-,aryl-,heteroaryl-,C₃₋₇cycloalkyl-,5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl-,arylethyl-,heteroarylethyl-, (C₂₋₇cycloalkyl)ethyl- or (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)ethyl-;

R^{12} is, independently, H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} haloalkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, $(C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, amino, $(C_{1-4}$ alkyl)amino, or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino;

R^{13} and R^{14} are each, independently, H, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, $(C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, $(C_{1-6}$ alkyl)carbonyl, $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkyl)carbonyl, $(C_{1-6}$ alkoxy)carbonyl, $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkoxy)carbonyl, $(C_{1-6}$ alkyl)sulfonyl, $(C_{1-6}$ haloalkyl)sulfonyl or arylsulfonyl;

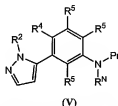
or R^{13} and R^{14} , together with the N atom to which they are attached form a 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl group;

Pr is an amino protecting group; and

R^N is H;

or Pr and R^N together with the N atom to which they are attached form a cyclic amino protecting group;

comprising reacting a compound of Formula (V):

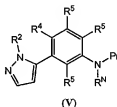


with a halogenating reagent ~~selected from a chlorinating reagent and a brominating reagent~~ for a time and under conditions ~~suitable for forming to form~~ said compound of Formula (IV).

102. (Canceled)

103. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 101 wherein said halogenating reagent is a brominating reagent.

104. (Original) The process of claim 103 wherein said halogenating reagent comprises N-bromosuccinimide.
105. (Original) The process of claim 104 wherein said reacting is carried out in an organic solvent.
106. (Original) The process of claim 105 wherein said organic solvent comprises an alcohol.
107. (Original) The process of claim 106 wherein said organic solvent comprises methanol.
108. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a compound of Formula (V):



wherein:

R^2 is methyl, C_{1-4} -alkyl;

R^3 is Cl or Br, F , Cl , Br , or I ;

R^4 is methoxy, halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-4} -alkyl-, C_{1-4} -haloalkyl-, C_{2-6} -alkenyl-, C_{2-6} -alkynyl-, C_{1-6} -alkoxy-, SR^{12} , SOR^{13} , SO_2R^{13} , COR^{13} , $COOR^{14}$, $OC(O)R^{13}$, $NR^{14}R^{14}$, or C_{2-7} -cycloalkyl-, wherein said C_{1-6} -alkoxy group is optionally substituted with one or more C_{1-5} -acyl-, C_{1-5} -acyloxy-, C_{2-6} -alkenyl-, C_{1-6} -alkoxy-, C_{1-6} -alkyl-, C_{1-4} -alkylamino-, C_{2-6} -dialkylamino-, C_{1-4} -alkylcarboxamide-, C_{2-6} -alkynyl-, C_{1-4} -alkylsulfonamide-, C_{1-4} -alkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-4} -alkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-4} -thioalkoxy-, C_{1-4} -alkylureido-, amino-, $(C_{1-6}$ -alkoxy)carbonyl-, carboxamide-, carboxy-, cyano-, C_{1-6} -cycloalkyl-, C_{2-6} -dialkylcarboxamide-, halogen-, C_{1-4} -haloalkoxy-, C_{1-4} -haloalkyl-, C_{1-4} -haloalkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-4} -haloalkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-4} -halothioalkoxy-, hydroxyl-, nitro- or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R^5 , at each independent occurrence, is H-, halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-6} -alkyl-, C_{1-6} -haloalkyl-, C_{2-6} -alkenyl-, C_{2-6} -alkynyl-, C_{1-6} -alkoxy-, SR^{11} , SOR^{13} , SO_2R^{13} , COR^{13} , $COOR^{14}$, $OC(O)R^{12}$, $NR^{13}R^{14}$, or C_{2-7} -cycloalkyl-, wherein said C_{1-6} -alkoxy group is optionally substituted with one or more C_{1-5}

acyl, C₁₋₃-acyloxy, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, C₃₋₈-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkylamino, C₂₋₈-dialkylamino, C₁₋₄-alkylcarboxamide, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, C₁₋₆-alkylsulfonamide, C₃₋₄-alkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄-alkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₄-thioalkoxy, C₁₋₄-alkylureido, amino, (C₁₋₆-alkoxy)carbonyl, carboxamide, carboxy, cyano, C₂₋₆-cycloalkyl, C₂₋₆-dialkylcarboxamide, halogen, C₃₋₆-haloalkoxy, C₁₋₄-haloalkyl, C₁₋₄-haloalkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄-haloalkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₄-halothioalkoxy, hydroxyl, nitro or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R¹³ is, independently, H, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-haloalkyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₂₋₇-cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₂₋₇-cycloalkyl)alkyl or (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl;

R¹² is, independently, H, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-haloalkyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₂₋₇-cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₂₋₇-cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, amino, (C₁₋₄-alkyl)amino, or di(C₁₋₄-alkyl)amino;

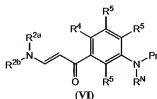
R¹³ and R¹⁴ are each, independently, H, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₂₋₇-cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₂₋₇-cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, (C₁₋₆-alkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₆-haloalkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₆-alkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₄-haloalkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₆-alkyl)sulfonyl, (C₁₋₄-haloalkyl)sulfonyl or arylsulfonyl;

or R¹³ and R¹⁴, together with the N atom to which they are attached form a 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl group;

Pr is an amino protecting group; and

R^N is H;

or Pr and R^N together with the N atom to which they are attached form a cyclic amino protecting group;
 comprising reacting a compound of Formula (VI):



wherein R^{2a} and R^{2b} are each, independently, C_{1-4} alkyl, with an alkyldiazine having the formula NH_2NH-R^2 ~~for a time and under conditions suitable for forming to form~~ said compound of Formula (V).

109. (Canceled)

110. (Original) The process of claim 108 wherein said reacting is carried out in the presence of an organic solvent.

111. (Original) The process of claim 110 wherein said organic solvent comprises an alcohol.

112. (Original) The process of claim 110 wherein said organic solvent comprises methanol.

113. (Original) The process of claim 108 wherein said reacting is carried out in the presence of an acid.

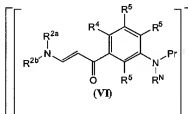
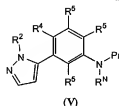
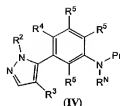
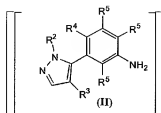
114. (Canceled)

115. (Original) The process of claim 113 wherein said acid comprises HCl.

116-127. (Canceled)

128-130. (Canceled)

131. (Currently Amended) A compound of Formula ~~[(II),]~~ (IV) ~~[(I),]~~ or (V) or (VI):



wherein:

R^2 is methyl C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^3 is Cl or Br, F, Cl, Br or I;

R^4 is methoxy halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} haloalkyl-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, SR^{11} , SOR^{12} , SO_2R^{13} , COR^{12} , $COOR^{14}$, $OC(O)R^{12}$, $NR^{13}R^{14}$, or C_{2-6} cycloalkyl-, wherein said C_{1-6} alkoxy group is optionally substituted with one or more C_{1-5} acyl-, C_{1-5} acyloxy-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} alkylamino-, C_{2-6} dialkylamino-, C_{1-6} alkylcarboxamide-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-6} alkylsulfonamide-, C_{1-6} alkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-6} thioalkoxy-, C_{1-6} alkylureido-, amino-, (C_{1-6} alkoxy)carbonyl-, carboxamide-, carboxy-, cyano-, C_{2-6} cycloalkyl-, C_{2-6} dialkylcarboxamide-, halogen-, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy-, C_{1-6} haloalkyl-, C_{1-6} haloalkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-6} haloalkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-6} halothioalkoxy-, hydroxyl-, nitro or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R^5 , at each independent occurrence, is H -, halo-, cyano-, nitro-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} haloalkyl-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, SR^{11} , SOR^{12} , SO_2R^{13} , COR^{12} , $COOR^{14}$, $OC(O)R^{12}$, $NR^{13}R^{14}$, or C_{2-6} cycloalkyl-, wherein said C_{1-6} alkoxy group is optionally substituted with one or more C_{1-5} acyl-, C_{1-5} acyloxy-, C_{2-6} alkenyl-, C_{1-6} alkoxy-, C_{1-6} alkyl-, C_{1-6} alkylamino-, C_{2-6} dialkylamino-, C_{1-6} alkylcarboxamide-, C_{2-6} alkynyl-, C_{1-6} alkylsulfonamide-, C_{1-6} alkylsulfinyl-, C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl-, C_{1-6} thioalkoxy-, C_{1-6} alkylureido-, amino-, (C_{1-6} alkoxy)carbonyl-, carboxamide-, carboxy-, cyano-, C_{2-6}

cycloalkyl, C₂₋₆ dialkylcarboxamide, halogen, C₃₋₆ haloalkoxy, C₃₋₄ haloalkyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₄ haloalkylsulfonyl, C₂₋₄ halothioalkoxy, hydroxyl, nitro or phenyl optionally substituted with 1 to 5 halogen atoms;

R¹¹ is, independently, H, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl)alkyl or (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl;

R¹² is, independently, H, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₃₋₆ haloalkyl, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, amino, (C₁₋₄ alkyl)amino, or di(C₁₋₄ alkyl)amino;

R¹³ and R¹⁴ are each, independently, H, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₂₋₆ alkenyl, C₂₋₆ alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, (C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl)alkyl, (5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, (C₁₋₈ alkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈ haloalkyl)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈ alkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₈ haloalkoxy)carbonyl, (C₁₋₄ alkyl)sulfonyl, (C₁₋₄ haloalkyl)sulfonyl or arylsulfonyl;

or R¹³ and R¹⁴, together with the N atom to which they are attached form a 5-7 membered heterocycloalkyl group;

Pr is an amino protecting group;

R^N is H; and

or Pr and R^N together with the N atom to which they are attached form a cyclic amino protecting group; and

R²⁰ and R²⁰ are each, independently, C₁₋₄ alkyl.

132-155. (Canceled)

156. (Original) The compound of claim 131 wherein said compound has Formula (IV) and R² is methyl;

R³ is Br; R⁴ is methoxy; R⁵, at each occurrence, is H; and Pr is -C(O)Me.

157. (Canceled)

158. (Original) The compound of claim 131 wherein said compound has Formula (V) and R² is methyl;
R⁴ is methoxy; R⁵, at each occurrence, is H; and Pr is -C(O)Me.

159. (Canceled)

160. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 96 wherein said reacting is carried out at about 0 to
about 100°C.